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INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE OF REPORT

Through this document, the Board of Registration in Nursing complies with Section 78, Chapter 112, General Laws, which requires the Board to "make an annual report of the condition of nursing in the Commonwealth." The report covers the fiscal year period from July 1, 1971 through June 30, 1972.

PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS OF BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NURSING

The Board of Registration in Nursing, an administrative agency within the governmental organization of the Commonwealth, is delegated the responsibility for implementation of those statutes and sections of statutes that provide legal control of nursing practice. The fundamental purpose of the Board is to safeguard the welfare of the citizens of the Commonwealth who require the services of professional and practical nurses.

To fulfill its purpose, the Board has two major functions:

1. Licensure of professional and practical nurses;
2. Determination and maintenance of nursing education standards that are basic to licensure of safe practitioners through approval of nursing education programs.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD

Qualifications for membership are established by Section 13, Chapter 13, General Laws, as amended. Section 13 provides that the Board membership shall consist of five registered nurses, one licensed practical nurse, two qualified physicians, two hospital administrators, two hospital trustees and one public member as authorized by Chapter 1099, Acts of 1971. During fiscal 1972, the Board was composed of twelve members; the public member had not been appointed as of June 30, 1972. Members are appointed by the Governor for six-year terms.

Membership during the major portion of the period covered by the report is outlined in Table 1.

Table 1. Membership, Board of Registration in Nursing

<u>Name of Member</u>	<u>Representation</u>
Harold A. Callahan	Hospital Administration
Hazelle Ferguson, R.N.	Public Health Nursing
Estelle Lombardi, R.N.	Practical Nursing Education
Phyllis Migliozi, R.N.	Diploma Nursing Education
Catherine T. Garrity, L.P.N.	Practical Nursing
Vincent Lanzoni, M.D.	Medical Profession
Marie S. Andrews, R.N.	Collegiate Nursing Education
Nathan E. Silbert, M.D.	Medical Profession
R. Ashton Smith	Hospital Administration
Gellestrina DiMaggio, R.N.	Nursing Service Administration
Matthew McCann	Hospital Trustee
John Mann	Hospital Trustee





On April 24, 1972, Marie Andrews, R.N., was reappointed to the Board. On May 31, 1972 Martin Dobelle, M.D., replaced Nathan Silbert, M.D., as a member of the Board.

Hazelle Ferguson, R.N. was elected Board chairman by the members at their annual meeting in October, 1971.

#### BOARD MEETINGS

The Board held ten (10) regular meetings during the 1972 fiscal year. A quorum was established at each meeting. Minutes of each meeting are on file at the Board of Registration in Nursing office.

#### LICENSURE

##### PROFESSIONAL NURSES

During the 1972 fiscal year, eight examination sessions consisting of two days per session were conducted. A total of 3356 candidates were examined. The source of examinees was as follows:

Graduates of Schools of Nursing in Massachusetts . . . . .	2549
Graduates of Schools of Nursing located in other states and U.S. territories	279
Graduates of Schools of Nursing located in other countries . . . . .	528
Total . . . . .	3356

Of the 3356 examinees, 2502 were examined for the first time; 854 were repeating the examination.

Original certificates of registration were issued to 4212 individuals; 2429 through examination and 1783 through endorsement by another board of nursing. In the fiscal year, 43,810 renewal registrations were issued.

Table 2 provides the number of registered nurse certificates issued annually for five consecutive fiscal years, 1968 - 1972.

Table 2. Number of Registered Nurse Certificates Issued Each Fiscal Year, 1968 - 1972

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Original Registrations</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Renewal Registrations</u>	<u>Total Registrations</u>
	<u>Examination</u>	<u>Endorsement</u>	<u>Originals</u>		
1968	2169	1433	3602	66,481	70,083
1969	2282	1555	3827	68,551	72,388
1970	2126	1852	3978	68,455	72,433
1971	2158	1745	3903	34,178*	38,081
1972	2429	1783	4212	43,810	48,022

\* Biennial renewal in even-numbered years for registered nurses, as provided in Chapter 603, Acts of 1969, became effective January 1, 1970.

In the five year period 1968-1972, 19,532 original registrations were issued; 11,164 (57.2%) through examination and 8,368 (42.8%) through endorsement. A comparison of 1968 with 1972 statistics shows that 610 more original registrations were issued in 1972 than in 1968, an increase of 17%. There were 260 more issued through exam (an increase of 12%) and 350 more issued by endorsement (an increase of 24.4%).





## PRACTICAL NURSES

During fiscal 1972, six practical nurse examination sessions of one day each were held and 1832 candidates were examined. The source of examinees was as follows:

Graduates of Schools of Practical Nursing located in Massachusetts . . . . .	1565
Graduates of Schools of Practical Nursing located in other states . . . . .	34
Graduates of Schools of Practical Nursing located in other countries . . . . .	16
Equivalency (Withdrawals from Schools of Professional Nursing) . . . . .	61
Equivalency (Graduation prior to August 1, 1944 from a School for Attendants in Massachusetts) . . . . .	8
*Graduates of Commonwealth Center for Practical Nurse Education . . . . .	148

\*The accelerated program for practical nurses licensed through waiver statutes. During the fiscal year, the program was in operation at two locations: Lakeville and Worcester.

A total of 2028 original certificates of licensure were issued to practical nurses, 1753 through examination and 275 through endorsement.

During fiscal 1972, 10,183 renewal licenses were issued. Therefore, a total of 12,211 practical nurse licenses were issued during the year.

Table 3 provides the number of practical nurse licenses issued annually for five consecutive fiscal years, 1968 - 1972.

Table 3. Number of Practical Nurse Licenses Issued each fiscal year, 1968 - 1972

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Original Licenses</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Renewal Licenses</u>	<u>Total Licenses</u>
	<u>Examination</u>	<u>Endorsement</u>	<u>Originals</u>		
1968	1245	173	1418	18,807	20,225
1969	1124	170	1294	19,564	20,858
1970	1346	167	1513	19,475	20,988
1971	1288	281	1569	21,517	23,086
1972	1753	275	2028	10,183*	12,211

\*Biennial renewal in odd-numbered years for licensed practical nurses, as provided in Chapter 603, Acts of 1969, became effective January 1, 1971.

In the five year period 1968-72, 7,822 original licenses were issued; 6,756 (86.4%) through examination and 1,066 (13.6%) through endorsement. A comparison of 1968 with 1972 statistics shows that 610 more original licenses were issued in 1972 than in 1968, an increase of 43%. There were 508 more issued through exam (an increase of 40.8%) and 102 more issued by endorsement (an increase of 58.3%).

## CERTIFICATION OF PROFESSIONAL NURSES

A nurse registered in another jurisdiction may be issued a certificate to practice professional nursing under the supervision of a registered nurse pending completion of the requirements for registration. The certification provisions of the nursing practice statute (Section 76A, Chapter 112 G.L.) apply to nurses licensed in other countries. A certificate may be issued for one year and may be renewed for not more than one additional consecutive year.





During the period of this report, 168 original and 24 renewal certificates were issued.

From the effective date of the certification statute in 1966 through June 30, 1972, a total of 1247 original and 110 renewal applications have been filed; 935 original and 110 renewal certificates have been issued. A total of 271 applications for certification have been withdrawn during the 1966-1972 period because the applicants requested refund of fee, were ineligible for certification or failed to submit necessary data within a one year period. Forty-one (41) applications were pending as of June 30, 1972. Therefore, since the certification statute was enacted, over 77.5% of the applicants have complied with procedural requirements, have been found eligible and have been certified by the Board.

#### CERTIFIED STATEMENTS

Licensure through endorsement requires that the Board of Nursing in the state of original licensure provide a certified statement verifying that license to the Board of Nursing in the state in which the individual is making application for registration as a professional nurse or license as a practical nurse without examination. In addition, certified statements verifying the licensee's nursing education, examination results and/or current licensure are often required by colleges or universities to which the licensee is seeking admission, by licensing authorities in other countries and by employers of nurses.

During fiscal 1972, the Board of Registration in Nursing issued a total of 2,748 certified statements on behalf of Massachusetts licensed nurses, 2,228 for registered nurses and 520 for licensed practical nurses.

The following table identifies the recipient of the certified statements issued by the Board in fiscal 1972, by type of licensee.

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>No. Issued for R.N.'s</u>	<u>No. Issued for L.P.N.'s</u>
Boards of Nursing, other States	2038	445
Licensing Authorities, Other Countries	68	4
Schools, Colleges, Universities, Employers	122	71
Total	2228	520

#### DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS AND REINSTATEMENTS

During fiscal 1972, three complaints were referred to the Department of Public Safety for investigation. These cases involved two persons representing themselves as registered nurses and one representing himself as a licensed practical nurse. To date no report on the investigations has been received from the Department of Public Safety.

A case referred by the Board for possible violation of Section 80A, Chapter 112 in fiscal 1971 was reported on by the Department of Public Safety this year. The Department recommended that the Board not prosecute. The recommendation was rejected by the Board. Subsequently, the Department reported that the judicial decision was to continue the case for six months with provision that, if there was no further violation, the case will be closed.





Eight complaints of nursing practice (three registered nurses and five licensed practical nurses) resulted in the suspension of the licenses of two registered nurses and two licensed practical nurses. The remaining four complaints were disposed of without action because the evidence offered in support of the charge was inadequate (2) or the complainant refused to pursue the initial complaint (2).

During the report period, two registered nurses and one licensed practical nurse whose licenses had previously been suspended were reinstated.

#### OTHER LICENSURE BUSINESS

During this fiscal year, the Board activities included:

##### A. Licensure Examinations

1. Review of the results of the licensure examinations administered to professional nurses in August and November, 1971 and February, 1972.
2. Review of the results of the licensure examinations administered to practical nurses in August and November, 1971 and in February and May, 1972.
3. Nominated item writers to represent Massachusetts in development of test items for the S.B.T.P.E. for Registered Nurse Licensure.
4. Adopted S.B.T.P.E. for R.N. Licensure, Series 672, as Massachusetts exam for the period June 1, 1972 to May 31, 1973 and established the passing score.
5. Adopted S.B.T.P.E. for L.P.N. Licensure, Form 872, as Massachusetts exam for the period September 15, 1972 to September 14, 1973 and established the passing score.
6. Studied and revised the 1972 R.N. and L.P.N. examination schedules.
7. Reviewed and approved an information sheet re content and procedure for conducting R.N. exam for distribution to foreign-educated nurses.
8. Reviewed and disapproved a request from a voluntary organization for a report on the licensure examination results of certain candidates.
9. Reviewed and evaluated test items for inclusion in future R.N. and L.P.N. licensure examinations.

##### B. Nursing Practice

1. Review of rulings re nursing practice issued by Board 1962 - 72.
2. Review and formulation of responses to three requests for Board rulings on nursing practice.





### C. Licensure Procedures

1. Review and adoption of the Test of English as a Foreign Language for use in determining English proficiency of foreign-educated nurses applying for pre-immigration evaluation or certification under Section 76A, Chapter 112 G.L.
2. Review and approval of instructions and form letters used in pre-immigration evaluation of foreign educated nurses.

In addition, the Board:

1. Reviewed and approved a special course in psychiatric nursing for foreign-educated nurses.
2. Conducted conferences with two applicants for licensure.
3. Reviewed and acted upon 46 non-routine applications for licensure
4. Requested rulings from the Attorney General relative to: (1) the scope of the Board's authority under Section 81B, Chapter 112, G.L.; (2) the implications of Chapter 1071, Acts of 1971, for administration of medications by students in approved schools of nursing/practical nursing as part of their required courses of study and by new graduates of professional/practical schools of nursing during the period from graduation until announcement of the results of the first licensure exam thereafter held.
5. Agreed to review and comment on the nursing service regulations for hospital licensure developed by the Division of Medical Care, Massachusetts Department of Public Health.
6. Agreed to cooperate and/or participate in four projected or on-going studies:
  - a. National Study re foreign nurse licensure funded by U.S. Department H.E.W to be conducted by the A.N.A.
  - b. Limited, local study of selected group of foreign-educated nurses funded by U.S. Department H.E.W. and Conducted by M.N.A.
  - c. National inventory of registered nurses funded by the Division of Nursing, U.S. P.H.S., and conducted by A.N.A.
  - d. Study of nurse manpower proposed by Tri State Regional Medical Program

### NURSING EDUCATION

#### INTRODUCTION

The Board of Registration in Nursing is the legal accrediting (approval) agency for nursing education programs preparing professional and practical nurses who are eligible for admission to the licensure examinations.





There are three types of programs preparing professional nurses:

1. Schools of nursing which grant a diploma, usually administered by a hospital corporation;
2. Schools of nursing which grant an associate degree in nursing, usually administered by a junior or community college;
3. Schools of nursing which grant a baccalaureate degree in nursing, administered by a senior college or university.

Practical nursing schools are categorized according to administrative control as hospital schools, vocational schools or schools operated by the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

On September 30, 1971, a total of 11,245 students were enrolled in basic nursing education programs leading to licensure in Massachusetts. (enrollment in the special accelerated programs for L.P.N.'s licensed under waiver statutes not included.) This represents a 5.3% increase over total enrollment on September 30, 1970. Of the total, 9,276 were enrolled in schools of professional nursing and 1,969 in schools of practical nursing.

#### Schools of Professional Nursing

The distribution of types of schools of professional nursing on three selected dates are as follows:

<u>Type of School</u>	<u>*No. of Schools on</u>		<u>9/72</u>
	<u>6/30/71</u>	<u>6/30/72</u>	
Diploma	41	36	36
Associate Degree	16	16	19
Baccalaureate Degree	9	9	9
Total	66	61	64

\*The changes in number reflect the closure of some schools and initiation of others

Schools of nursing which closed (voluntary closure) during fiscal 1972 are:

<u>Name of School of Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date of Closure</u>
Providence Hospital	Holyoke	July 2, 1971
Beverly Hospital	Beverly	June 14, 1972
St. Anne's Hospital	Fall River	May 25, 1972
Truesdale Hospital	Fall River	June 13, 1972
Union Hospital	Fall River	June 23, 1972

Schools of nursing which were granted Initial Approval by the Board during fiscal 1972 and which will admit their first class in September, 1972 are:

<u>Name of Schools of Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date of Initial Approval</u>
Middlesex Community Coll. Dept of Nrg	Bedford	May 24, 1972
Mt. Wachusett Community Coll. Dept of Nrg	Gardner	May 24, 1972
Catherine Laboure Jr. Coll. Div of Nrg	Boston	May 24, 1972





Four schools of nursing have announced or are in the process of voluntary closure. They are:

<u>Name of School of Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Last Class Admitted</u>	<u>Closure Date</u>
Catherine Laboure (Diploma Program)	Boston	1970	1973
Mercy Hospital	Springfield	1970	1973
St. Luke's of Berkshire Med. Center	Pittsfield	1971	1974
St. Luke's Hospital	New Bedford	1972	1975

Five schools of nursing graduated their first classes during fiscal 1972:

<u>Name of Schools of Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>
Lowell State College Dept. of Nursing	Lowell
Southeastern Mass. Univ. College of Nursing	N. Dartmouth
Holyoke Community Coll. Dept. of Nurse Education	Holyoke
Springfield Tech. Community Coll Div of Nursing	Springfield
Northeastern Univ. Coll of Nursing (2 yr program for L.P.N.'s)	Boston

The following table provides enrollment, admission and graduation statistics for the three types of schools of professional nursing for the academic year ending September 30, 1971.

<u>Type of Program</u>	<u>No. and % of Students Enrolled</u>	<u>No. and % of Students Admitted</u>	<u>No. and % of Graduates</u>
Diploma	5065 (54.6%)	1929 (53%)	1388 (61.6%)
Associate Degree	1666 (17.9%)	931 (25.6%)	463 (20.5%)
Baccalaureate Degree	2545 (27.4%)	778 (21.4%)	402 (17.8%)
Total	9276	3638	

Comparing 1967 with 1971 data, an increase in all areas is apparent:

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>Change</u>
Enrollment	7597	9276	+1679 (18.1%)
Admissions	2832	3638	+ 806 (22.2%)
Graduations	2108	2253	+ 145 (6.4%)

Compared with 1970 data, enrollment increased by 7.3%, admissions by 3.8% and graduations by 7.8%.

### Schools of Practical Nursing

The distribution of schools of practical nursing on three selected dates are as follows:

<u>Type of School</u>	<u>* No. of Schools on</u>		
	<u>6/30/71</u>	<u>6/30/72</u>	<u>9/30/72</u>
Hospital	15	13	13
Vocational	22	23	23
Mass. Dept. Mental Health	4	4	4
Total	41	40	40





\* Changes in number reflect closure of some schools, initiation of others. The Commonwealth Center programs (2) are not included in the number of schools reported above or in any of the enrollment, admission or graduation data except in the special section of this report devoted to these special programs.

Schools of practical nursing which closed (voluntary closure) during fiscal 1972 are:

<u>Name of School of Practical Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Closure Date</u>
Cape Cod Hospital	Hyannis	August 20, 1971
Gardner Hospital	Gardner	January 15, 1972
Commonwealth Center for P.N. Education	Worcester	June 2, 1972

Schools of practical nursing which were granted Initial Approval by the Board during fiscal 1972 are:

<u>Name of School of Practical Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>*Date of Initial Approval</u>
Boston Trade High School Part-Time Evening P.N. Program	Boston	September 22, 1971
Lynn Voc. Tech. P.N. Program	Lynn	July 28, 1971
Bristol-Plymouth Reg. Tech School Practical Nurse Program	Taunton	June 28, 1972

\*Boston Trade admitted first class January 1972; Bristol-Plymouth will admit first class September, 1972; Lynn Voc. Tech. was supposed to admit first class September, 1971 but program was not initiated and approval was withdrawn.

Two schools of practical nursing are in the process of voluntary closure. They are:

<u>Name of School of Practical Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Closure Date</u>
Taunton Vocational	Taunton	August 1972
Commonwealth Center for P.N. Education Southeastern Division	Lakeville	September 1972

Three schools of practical nursing graduated their first classes during fiscal 1972:

<u>Name of School of Practical Nursing</u>	<u>Location</u>
Greater Lawrence Reg. Tech. Institute	W. Andover
Northeast Metropolitan Reg. Voc.	Wakefield
South Middlesex Reg. Voc. Tech.	Framingham

Two schools of practical nursing changed their names during fiscal 1972. The David Hale Fanning Trade High School Practical Nurse Program is now known as David Hale Fanning School of Practical Nursing. The Charles H. McCann Regional Vocational High School Practical Nurse Program became the Charles H. McCann Technical School of Practical Nursing.





The following table provides enrollment, admission and graduation statistics for the three types of schools of practical nursing for the academic year ending September 30, 1971.

<u>Type of Program</u>	<u>No. and % of Students Enrolled</u>	<u>No. and % of Students Admitted</u>	<u>No. and % of Graduates</u>
Hospital	623 (31.6%)	543 (31.7%)	607 (38.6%)
Vocational	1172 (59.5%)	1011 (59%)	858 (54.6%)
Mass. Dept. Mental Health	174 (8.8%)	158 (9.2%)	105 (6.7%)
Total	1969	1712	1570

Comparison of 1967 with 1971 data shows a small decrease in enrollment, reflecting the change from 15 to 12 month programs which eliminates enrollment of overlapping classes, and marked increases in both admissions and graduates.

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>Change</u>
Enrollment	2015	1969	-46 (2.3%)
Admissions	1387	1712	+325 (23.4%)
Graduations	955	1570	+615 (64.4%)

Compared with 1970 data, enrollment decreased by 3.1%, admissions increased by 1.2% and graduations increased by 24.8%.

#### Commonwealth Center for Practical Nurse Education

An accelerated practical nursing program for practical nurses licensed through a waiver statute in Massachusetts was initiated in 1967. Known as the Commonwealth Center for Practical Nurse Education, the program was originally administered by the Division of Vocational Education directly but the later programs have been operated under the aegis of individual vocational schools.

Original planning for this program anticipated that 1,000 eligible recruits could be offered the program within a two-year period. It was expected that three separate sections would operate simultaneously in different regions of the state, following implementation of a pilot section in the Greater Boston area. The plans were not realized. The lack of support for the program by employers of licensed practical nurses, other state agencies and voluntary organizations along with the problems of assurance and timing connected with Manpower Development and Training Act (M.D.T.A.) funding militated against the original plans. As a result, from 1967 to mid-1970, only the pilot section in Boston operated. On April 22, 1970, the Board of Registration in Nursing approved the Commonwealth Center for Practical Nurse Education, Southeastern Section, and on September 23, 1970 the Worcester Division. The Southeastern Section is operated from facilities at Lakeville Hospital under the auspices of the Diman Regional Vocational School, Fall River. The Worcester Division operated from facilities at Worcester County Hospital under the sponsorship of the Worcester Vocational School Department. The Greater Boston section which had headquarters at the Soldiers' Home, Chelsea and the Worcester Division are no longer in operation.





The number of students admitted and graduated from each section prior to June 30, 1972 is provided in the following table:

<u>Section</u>	<u>No. Students Admitted</u>	<u>No. Graduated Through 6/30/72</u>
Greater Boston (Chelsea)	264	216
Southeastern (Lakeville)	167	87*
Worcester	130	106
Totals	561	409

\* Two groups still enrolled: one due to graduate 7/7/72; the other 9/22/72.

The Southeastern Section has announced that the program will close on September 22, 1972.

Examination results to date indicate the program's success:

<u>No. of First-Time Examinees</u>	<u>Section Source</u>	<u>No. and % Passed</u>
216	Greater Boston (Chelsea)	197 - 91.2%
86	Southeastern (Lakeville)	86 - 100%
91	Worcester	86 - 94.5%
Total 393		369 - 93.8%

To date, twelve of the nineteen candidates from the Greater Boston Division and four of the five from the Worcester Division who failed the first time have rewritten and passed the examination. Therefore, 98% of the graduates of this program who have applied have become licensed as graduates of an approved school of practical nursing thereby qualifying for a broader range of employment. As of June 30, 1972, sixteen graduates (one Southeastern and 15 Worcester) have either not applied or have not yet been examined.

#### INSPECTION (SURVEY) OF NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Section 81A, Chap. 112, G.L. as amended authorized the Board of Registration in Nursing to "inspect" schools of professional and practical nursing for approval purposes and requires that no approval be withdrawn unless an "inspection" has been made. Traditionally, the survey procedure has included a site visit. Primarily, the site visit is required to determine if Board regulations relative to educational and clinical facilities are being met. Frequently, there has been no change in these facilities from one survey visit to the next and, therefore, the site visit in those instances often became superfluous but time-consuming. On March 25, 1970, members of the Board of Registration in Nursing adopted the following definition of "inspection": Inspection embodies the elements of evaluation. Inspection of a nursing education program requires evaluation of the program and the conduct of the school using Board of Registration in Nursing regulations as the evaluation criteria. Such evaluation may include, but does not necessarily require a site visit to the physical facilities. Current Board regulations require that each approved nursing education program be "inspected" at least every five years. Implementation of this regulation has not been possible because of: (1) lack of adequate number of professional staff to conduct the inspection; (2) the number of new program proposals requiring servicing; and, (3) the number of schools requiring more frequent inspection.





During this fiscal year, inspections were conducted in relation to the following nursing education programs. Reports were prepared for review and action by the Board and were subsequently circulated to appropriate officers associated with the respective programs:

Beverly Hospital School of Practical Nursing  
Mass. Dept. of Mental Health School of Practical Nursing, Norfolk Division  
Boston Trade High School Part-Time Evening Practical Nurse Program  
David Hale Fanning School of Practical Nursing (Educational Facilities only)  
Greater Lawrence Reg. Tech. Institute Practical Nurse Program  
Charles H. McCann Technical School of Practical Nursing  
Northeast Metropolitan Reg. Voc. School Practical Nurse Program  
Pittsfield Vocational High School Practical Nurse Program  
South Middlesex Reg. Voc. Tech. School Practical Nurse Program  
Upper Cape Cod Reg. Voc. Tech. School Practical Nurse Program  
Bristol-Flymouth Reg. Tech. School Practical Nurse Program  
Boston City Hospital School of Nursing  
Northeastern University College of Nursing - Baccalaureate Degree Program  
Berkshire Community College Department of Nursing (Clinical Facilities only)  
Cape Cod Community College Division of Nursing  
Mt. Wachusett Community College Department of Nursing  
Catherine Laboure Junior College Department of Nursing  
Middlesex Community College Department of Nursing

#### Progress Reports for Determination of Approval Status

The Board reviewed and acted upon progress reports for determination of approval status for the following schools:

Shepard Gill School of Practical Nursing of Massachusetts General Hospital  
Tewksbury Hospital School of Practical Nursing  
Boston Trade High School Practical Nurse Program  
David Hale Fanning School of Practical Nursing  
Whidden Memorial Hospital School of Nursing (2)  
Massachusetts Bay Community College Nursing Program  
North Shore Community College Department of Nursing Education

#### Special Reports

Twenty-two schools of nursing were required and did submit special reports evaluating experience with curriculum innovations previously approved by the Board or relative to other matters affecting the conduct of the school. These reports were reviewed and acted upon by the Board. The schools submitting these special reports were:

Burbank Hospital School of Nursing  
Lawrence General Hospital School of Nursing (2)  
Lynn Hospital School of Nursing  
Melrose-Wakefield Hospital School of Nursing  
Memorial Hospital School of Nursing  
St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing  
St. Vincent Hospital School of Nursing (2)  
Somerville Hospital School of Nursing





Whidden Memorial Hospital School of Nursing  
Worcester City Hospital School of Nursing (2)  
Worcester Hahnemann Hospital School of Nursing  
Atlantic Union College Department of Nursing  
Berkshire Community College Department of Nursing  
Cape Cod Community College Division of Nursing  
Mass. Bay Community College Nursing Program  
North Shore Community College Department of Nursing Education  
Northeastern University College of Nursing ( 3 yr. Assoc. Degree Program)  
Northern Essex Community College Department of Nursing Education  
Northeastern University College of Nursing ( 2 yr Assoc Deg. Program for L.P.N.s)

#### New Nursing Education Programs

The Board of Registration in Nursing approved six new schools this fiscal year: three professional and three practical nurse programs. The names and locations of the new schools have been previously identified in this report as schools granted Initial Approval by the Board.

#### Curriculum Revisions

The Board reviewed 37 curriculum revision proposals submitted by the schools. Sixteen schools of nursing submitted a total of 19 proposals (one school submitted two and another school submitted three separate proposals during the year). The Board approved all of the 19 proposals. Thirteen schools of practical nursing submitted 18 proposals (three schools submitted two and one school submitted three separate proposals during the year); fourteen of the proposed curriculum revisions were directly approved or approved following identified changes.

The following schools of nursing submitted curriculum revisions:

Brockton Hospital School of Nursing  
Boston City Hospital School of Nursing  
Cooley Dickinson Hospital School of Nursing  
Faulkner Hospital School of Nursing  
Lawrence General Hospital School of Nursing  
Malden Hospital School of Nursing  
New England Baptist Hospital School of Nursing  
St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing of Berkshire Medical Center  
Somerville Hospital School of Nursing (3)  
Worcester Hahnemann Hospital School of Nursing  
Boston College School of Nursing (Honors Program)  
Lowell State College Department of Nursing  
North Shore Community College Department of Nursing Education  
Northeastern University College of Nursing - Assoc Degree 3 yr Program (2)  
Northeastern University College of Nursing - Assoc Degree 2 yr Program for L.P.N.'s  
Holyoke Community College Department of Nurse Education





The following schools of practical nursing submitted curriculum revisions:

Addison Gilbert Hospital School of Practical Nursing (2)  
Boston City Hospital School of Practical Nursing  
North Shore Children's Hospital School of Practical Nursing (2)  
Tewksbury Hospital School of Practical Nursing  
Western Mass. Hospital School of Practical Nursing  
Winthrop Community Hospital School of Practical Nursing (2)  
Greater Lawrence Reg. Tech. Institute Practical Nurse Program  
Holyoke Trade High School Practical Nurse Program  
Lowell Trade High School Practical Nurse Program  
Northeast Metropolitan Reg. Voc. School Practical Nurse Program  
H.O. Peabody School for Girls Practical Nurse Program  
Smith's Vocational High School Practical Nurse Program (3)  
Southeastern Reg. Voc. Tech. School Practical Nurse Program

Other Nursing Education Business

In the course of the fiscal year, the Board:

1. Formulated and adopted a policy statement on the admission with advanced standing of licensed practical nurses to schools of professional nursing. The statement was distributed to each approved nursing education program and to other interested agencies, organizations and persons.
2. Reviewed and approved four requests for advanced standing of special students submitted by schools of nursing.
3. Reviewed and approved three requests for decelerated programs for disadvantaged students submitted by schools of nursing.
4. Reviewed absence policies in schools of nursing to determine their effect on meeting Board of Registration in Nursing curriculum regulations.
5. Reviewed results of Massachusetts graduates on the R.N. licensure exam, Series 670, and the L.P.N. licensure exam, Form 870 and compared the results with those achieved nationally.

BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NURSING FEES

Board of Registration in Nursing fees during fiscal 1972 were:

Original Licensure Through Examination or Endorsement R.N.	\$25.00
Original Licensure Through Examination or Endorsement L.P.N.	25.00
Certified Statement, R.N. and L.P.N.	2.00
Certification to Practice Professional Nursing	25.00
Renewal of Certificate to Practice Professional Nursing	3.00
Evaluation of Foreign Nurse Credentials (Pre-immigration)	5.00
Renewal Licensure R.N.	4.00
Renewal Licensure L.P.N.	4.00





BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NURSING

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 30, 1972

INCOME	417,517.17	417,517.17
EXPENDITURES		
Board members - Salaries	5,456.45	
" " - Travel	578.99	
" " - Travel Accts Payable	<u>1,921.01</u>	
Total Board expenditures		7,956.45
From Director's Office		
Clerical Services - 01	111,735.55	
" " - 02	1,092.70	
Office Expenses	75,571.90	
" " Accts Payable	<u>5,525.00</u>	
Total Director's Office		193,925.15

INCOME	417,517.17
EXPENDITURE	<u>201,881.60</u>
Difference	215,635.57

Respectfully submitted,

Gellestrina DiMaggio R.N.  
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Chairman

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Executive Secretary



